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TEACHERS'

Examination Questions Will Not Be Peddled This Year.

Frankfort, Ky., May 11.—The first list of questions for school teachers applying for examination is being sent out today by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the examinations will be held in every county in the State on Friday and Saturday of this week. Every possible precaution has been taken this year to protect the list of questions, and it is believed that it will be impossible for the questions to be sold, as they have been every year for a long time. The Superintendent's office has always had this to contend with, and every year the questions have been given out in advance, in some unknown way. It is said that the questions were sometimes sold into as many as 30 counties.

In order to prevent this this year, J. G. Crabbe, Superintendent of Public Instruction, has devised elaborate devices. In the first place the list of questions will be printed in the office of the Superintendent, and only he and his two assistants will know what the questions are. A machine called the multigraph, which prints circulars has been bought and lists will be printed with this machine instead of some job shop. It was never known exactly how the questions became known, but on account of the number of men in the shop, many persons had an opportunity to see the questions while they were being printed.

In addition to this precaution, the list of questions which is sent to each county superintendent inclosed in an envelope, which is sealed with three seals. The package is sent to the county superintendent by registered mail so that it will reach him on the day of the examination. The affidavit, signed by three persons, vides the county superintendent, last he sent to the State Superintendent, showing that the package was used in the presence of the applicants for examination and had not been opened previous to that time. This prevents the superintendents from selling the questions if they so desired.

Masonic Meeting.

Master C. C. Hill, of the Louisa Lodge of Masons, announces a meeting for next Monday evening at the hall to consider a program for the 4th of June. It is to be an open and informal meeting, and the wives, mothers, sisters and daughters of Masons are invited and urged to attend.

BUILDING

For the College Will Soon Be Contracted and Under Way.

Henry Preston, the contractor who will put in the foundation for the K. N. C. building, is getting out the stone for the concrete. He is securing it from the point near Lick creek, on the land recently purchased by M. G. Berry from the Elsie farm. Mr. Preston will bring his power crane here to do this and other work that he has contracted.

As will be seen by a notice elsewhere, the entire college plans and specifications are ready for examination of contractors. The building committee will buy the brick and all material except that for mortar and will receive bids on the work only. Figures are desired on the work of laying the brick, not only by the thousand, but preferably a price for the complete job of laying up the walls.

It is probable that the committee will also make purchases of all other materials and will let in contract on the work. The question of the kind of brick to be used has not been entirely settled as yet.

The foundation for the building was staked out Wednesday. It will stand directly at the head of Main Cross street.

The new iron fence around the Stewart and Campbell residence lot has been erected and adds greatly to the appearance of this attractive square.

Mr. Vaughan at Clinton.

The following extract is taken from one of the Clinton papers. It shows that Mr. Vaughan is at home in Western Kentucky, though he lives in Eastern Kentucky.

"An Inspiration from the Mountains." Mr. W. J. Vaughan, of Louisa, in the Kentucky mountains, field worker for the Sunday School Union, delivered an address on Sunday school work at the Baptist church Sunday night which proved both a revelation and an inspiration to those who heard him. Mr. Vaughan is a capital talker and easily holds the undivided attention of his audience. His discourse bristles with facts and figures, but does not hamper him out cold and unrelieved as many speakers do. He weaves them into a story which abounds in humor and pathos and living, startling truths, carrying wonder, pleasure, surprise and awakened resolve in hearts ready to receive and act upon them. He is a type — and there are many types of the Kentucky mountain men — a type which is a credit not only to the mountains but to Kentucky and Christianity. His whole soul is embarked in this work and that he is doing great work none can doubt who listen to hear and hear his report of progress.

The Christian people of our town and country around were charmed with him and we look for a rich harvest from the seeds he scattered in this fruitful soil. He was greatly pleased with the reception he met with in Clinton and we heard him say his congregation at the Baptist church Sunday night was the largest he had in the State, save one, at Henderson, we believe.

Big Sandy Girl Wins.

A former Webbville girl, Miss Ruby, oldest daughter of E. H. D. Webb, won out in a newspaper contest in Washington, having obtained the largest number of votes, a total of 115,000, against her nearest opponent who received 95,000. This gives her a trip to Alaska in July at the expense of the newspaper association of Eastern Washington. The party will consist of five ladies and a chaperone. Miss Webb having received the highest number of votes is entitled to the choice and has chosen her uncle, R. P. Webb, the present sheriff of Chelan county, to accompany them. All expenses paid by the Association.

FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

Dates Announced by Officials for County Institutes.

The following dates for farmers' institutes to be held in this section under the direction of the State Department are announced:

The Institute schedule is as follows: First District—W. T. Stafford, organizer; H. E. Swain, director-lecturer; W. A. Cope, lecturer. Pikeville, Pike county, July 7-8; Prestonsburg, Floyd county, July 10-12; Paintsville, Johnson county, July 14-15; Inez, Martin county, July 17-18; Salyersville, Magoffin county, July 21-22; West Liberty, Morgan county, July 24-25; Hindman, Knott county, October 9-10; Whitesburg, Letcher county, October 14-15. Second District—Frank L. Conard, organizer; John G. Blair, director-lecturer; Sam J. Patrick, lecturer. W. T. Cain, lecturer. Louisa, Lawrence county, July 7-8; Ashland, Boyd county, July 10-11; Greenup Greenup county, July 14-15; Grayson, Carter county, July 17-18.

Circuit Court.

The following convictions on penal cases were made after our last report:

Lonzo Smith, selling liquor, \$20. Ira Smith carrying pistol, \$25. Rebecca Rittenbury and Mary Belle Hall, disturbing religious worship, \$20 each. Fred Kinner, selling cigarettes to minors, \$20. Jim Fletcher carrying pistol \$25 and 10 days. Berg Kinner, breach of the peace, \$5.00. Dave Wellman, wilful cutting, \$50. Wade Turman, breach of peace, \$5. Will Buckley, running horse on highway, \$5. Fred Jackson same, \$5.

FOR CONSUMPTIVES

Medical Profession Watching Development of Treatment

Washington, May 11.—Naval surgeons and the medical profession in general are watching with intense interest the development of a method of treatment which holds out hope for the victim of the white plague.

The cure was accidentally discovered by Naval Surgeon Barton Lisle Wright while administering mercury for another ailment. There are now 35 cases under treatment at the naval hospital at New Fort Lyon, Las Animas, Col., and according to an account published by Dr. Wright in the naval medical bulletin, extraordinary improvement is being shown in all of them.

The mercury is administered by hypodermic injection which is followed almost immediately by marked improvement in the patient's condition.

"Of the 35 cases," says Dr. Wright, "30 are showing improvement, as evidenced by the reduced pulse rate and temperature curve, increased appetite, lessened cough and gain in weight. The remaining five are holding their own."

"We have conclusively demonstrated that it will cure extremely advanced tuberculosis of the larynx and pharynx in a remarkable short period of time."

"We have shown that it produces marked improvement in advancing pulmonary lesions, and that it also has a decided beneficial action on tubercular glands."

Sunday School Institute.

E. A. Fox, General Secretary of the International Sunday school work of Kentucky, together with our fellow townsman W. J. Vaughan, held an institute in the M. E. Church Wednesday afternoon and all day Thursday of last week.

It was a very rare treat. These men who know the best methods employed by men and women who succeed in this work gave us their best. Those who were present got valuable information and great help and those who missed lost an opportunity all too scarce, to be instructed in this difficult line of work.

Wayne County Primary

The majorities of the winners in the recent Democratic primary held in Wayne county, W. Va., are as follows:

County clerk J. G. Lambert, 736. Attorney, D. B. Hardwick, 930. Sheriff, S. J. Crum, 301. Circuit Clerk, G. W. Frasher, 162. Assessor, J. G. Lambert, 21. Representatives, T. J. Asbury 168, and L. F. Ball, 416. Commissioner of County Court, J. S. Osborn, 387. Surveyor, A. J. Finley, 320.

Captured A Boat Crew.

Considerable excitement was caused Sunday afternoon by the arrest of two men who came down Tug river in a gasoline boat. A telegram from Naugatuck stated that the boat belonged to Jas. M. Kent, manager of the coal company's store, and that the boat had been stolen. The officers found on board a man named Farmer of Williamson, and another named Langshore. The men were taken in charge by Deputy Sheriff Jno. Bilups and returned to Williamson on the first train.

Invitation.

It being impossible for us to think of all whom we wished to invite to our Birthday and Midget Wedding party to be given at Brunswick Hotel Friday evening May 15th, we take this method of welcoming all.

Contribution bags will be furnished at the door. Refreshments free. Ladies Aid Society, M. E. Church.

Mr. R. D. Casterline has returned to his home at Philadelphia after having done the three months' special work for the Louisa Coal Company. His Louisa friends hope that he may go in return to Big Sandy.

GOOD ROADS.

Amendment to be Voted on in Kentucky Next Fall.

What are you doing for the good roads amendment to the constitution, which is to be voted on next fall? Remember the question of National Government aid for good roads is being agitated and it is probable that a general law on the subject will be passed by Congress in the near future. But the law will must certainly limit its benefits to those States which are prepared to co-operate with the National Government in the work. Millions of dollars may be appropriated by the National Government for road improvement, but Kentucky will get none of it unless we have prepared ourselves to co-operate with the Government. Many of the States already have laws authorizing State aid for good roads, and such States will get the money which Uncle Sam appropriates.

Shall Kentucky be left out? She will be, unless the proposed amendment to the constitution is adopted. If may not be unless farmers over the State take an interest in the matter. Commence now to talk the matter up with your neighbors and show them the importance of voting for the amendment. Farmers are the ones who will benefit most by the good roads.—Farmers' Home Journal.

Republican Delegates.

The Republican State Convention at Louisville last week was a very stormy affair. The Taft forces swept everything before them, and Billie Bradley out into the garbage pile along with the rest of the sweepings. He didn't look as good to that convention as Ed. Layne.

Hill never was much of a fellow to take a hint, but after being knocked down and dragged out of a State Convention he ought to see that he is expected to take his little job and run along to Washington, without trying to shoulder the whole job of running the party.

Following is the result of the convention.

Delegates-at-Large.

Gov. Augustus E. Willson, of Louisville.

Judge A. R. Burnam, of Madison county.

W. Marshall Bullitt, of Louisville.

Edward Lane, colored, of Mason county.

Alternates.—

Roy Wilhoite, of Boyd county.

Ray Yarberry, of Adair county.

Will P. Scott, of Hopkins county.

J. H. McWhirter, colored, of Louisville.

Electors at Large.—

John H. Gilliam, of Allen county.

W. S. McCoy, of Martin county.

Committeemen-at-Large.—

Frank Fisher, of McCracken county.

George W. Welsh, of Boyle county.

The Happiest Man.

The happiest man in the land today is the successful farmer. He sits under his own vine and fig tree, undisturbed by the maddening noise of the great city. Business men fail, railroads go into hands of receivers, booming towns collapse, all business stagnates. But the wise farmer can snap his finger at these things. He is the monarch of all he surveys on his broad acres. And the honesty of his boys and the purity of his girls is jaded against temptation, and in him he is giving the country its manhood and womanhood. The farmer is to be envied, and if he is not contented with his lot he is lacking in his wisdom.

Demand For Residences.

There is a demand for residences in Louisa that is not being supplied. We know of a good family with plenty of money, that wants to rent a good residence of eight to ten rooms in Louisa. There would be no risk in erecting some good houses here. Since the question of the permanency of the college is settled there will be a constantly increasing demand. Next fall will see a considerable increase in our population if we will only provide the places for them to live.

"Coin" Harvey Discovered.

New York, May 10.—A. C. White, of Little Rock, Ark., comes to New York with the somewhat puzzling statement that Senator Jeff Davis and "Coin" Harvey are going to take the stump this fall in behalf of the Democratic party if Bryan is not at the head of the ticket.

Mr. White, who is an attorney and a guest of the Hotel Astor, says he knows what he is talking about.

"Eastern people don't seem to know it but Harvey, better known as 'Coin' the man who was a leader in the 16-to-1 move," said Mr. White, "Harvey made enough money out of the books he wrote on the silver question to buy up a section of Benton County and has settled down on an estate, building a railroad to his home, a distance of some six miles from the nearest main line connection. In the seclusion of his country place, Harvey has been consulting with Senator Davis. I think he is responsible for many of the efforts of our fire-eating Senator. Harvey is against Bryan and we have it down our way that the Senator and Harvey will spring some new reform on the public if Bryan is not nominated."

Coin Harvey is a brother of Judge Harvey, of Huntington, W. Va.

Truck Farming.

We do not know to what extent our farmers are taking up truck farming but we hope they are doing so extensively. There is no limit to the market and those who are not getting out of the rut and taking advantage of the opportunities open to them are simply allowing another year of prosperity to slip away without getting their share of the profits. This is one of the few places of the country where hard times will not be seriously felt if our farmers will direct their efforts toward producing what the market demands.

They are offered 25c a bushel for tomatoes in large quantities, which is 25 to 35 per cent more than is paid by canning factories at other places. Good land properly cultivated will produce from \$40 to \$50 per acre and give you the cash earlier in the season than any other crop. We know of a crop here that brought \$42 per acre at 30c a bushel. The same crop at the price now offered will bring \$52.50.

IN HASTE

They Were Married and Now the Wife is in Trouble.

Marshal Fred Marcum received a telephone message Tuesday night from Judge Litteral of Johnson county, to look for and arrest J. J. Dullen, who was supposed to be coming this way from Flat Gap. He and his wife were driving through in a buggy.

Dullen is charged with having severely beaten his wife and attempted to kill his father-in-law, Mr. Bond. It is alleged that he forced his wife to get into a buggy with him and drive away. The relatives of the woman seem to be much alarmed about her, and are trying to rescue her from the man, whom they describe as a dangerous character. Mr. Marcum guarded the bridge nearly all night, but the couple did not put in their appearance and nothing was heard here of their whereabouts. A message was sent to Grayson similar to the one received here.

Mrs. Dullen was formerly Mrs. Mollie Bond Holbrook, widow of A. M. Holbrook. She formerly lived in Louisa for awhile after the death of her husband and married Dullen while traveling as a collector for a Chicago firm. The marriage was the result of a very brief courtship. The parties had known each other only a few days, it is said.

Oscar Hudgins Suicides.

Oscar Hudgins, formerly a prominent citizen of Elliott county, committed suicide in Phoenix, Ariz., May 8. He had invested heavily and through the financial panic had lost all his money. He leaves a wife and seven children in that State besides his mother, his sister, Mrs. B. F. Vansant, brothers, W. L. Hudgins, Dr. Cecil Hudgins and Thomas Hudgins, all living in Elliott and Rowan counties.

WANAMAKER TALKS.

Largest Merchant in the World, in Point of Business Says Advertising Made Him Rich.

"Mr. Wanamaker, you are one of the largest advertisers of the country. I have noticed that you keep your advertisements running during the hard times. Many of the merchants have let them drop. Does it pay to advertise when the times are hard?" "I certainly think so," replied Mr. Wanamaker. "When the times are hard and the people are not buying is the very time that advertising should be the heaviest. You want to get the people to see what you have to sell, and you must advertise to do that. When the times are good they will come of their own accord. But I believe in advertising all the time. We never stop advertising."

"You use the newspapers almost altogether for advertising, do you not?"

"Yes; I have tried all kinds, but I think newspaper advertising is by far the best. I used to spend a great deal of money in posters and bills, but I have given that up long ago."

"Can you see any immediate results from such advertising?" I asked.

"I should think so," replied Mr. Wanamaker. "If you come over to our Philadelphia or N. York store some morning when we have advertised a job lot of something and look at the long line of people who are standing outside waiting for the doors to open you will see how the advertisements in newspapers are read."

The Death Rate.

Country people are far healthier than city folks.

Deaths from tuberculosis are increasing every year.

The death rate in the United States has decreased in a year from 16.2 per 1,000 population to 16.1.

There were fewer deaths last year per 1,000 of population in South Dakota in 1906 than in any other State in the Union. The record-breaking mark was 8.8. There were 10 deaths in California in 1906 than in any other State. The rate was 17.4 out of every thousand. New Zealanders are the healthiest people in the world. The death rate there in 1906 was 9.3. In Chile it was 32.3. These are some of the striking facts brought out of the government's mortality statistics for 1906, just issued.

KILLED IN MINES.

Ran McKenzie Caught by a Fall of Slate and Killed.

A few days ago an accident happened in the coal mines at Sand creek, Lincoln county, W. Va., which cost Ran McKenzie his life. A heavy fall of slate from the roof of the mine caught him and crushed out his life. The body was badly mangled.

McKenzie formerly lived near Louisa. He left here a few years ago and went to work in the West Virginia coal regions and is said to have been prospering. He leaves a wife and several children.

K. N. C. Closes.

The Kentucky Normal College has closed its term for this year. The greater number of students here desired to take the examinations to be held in their respective counties today and tomorrow and the work was directed to this end.

It was very gratifying to hear the students say they would be back here next year and to see how enthusiastic they are over the new building that is just being started. We shall welcome them back.

No school ever had 350 nicer young ladies and young men than those who attended the K. N. C. this year from other places. Their conduct was commendable and they were earnest students and accomplished great good for themselves.